District 9 Business Meeting September 13, 2009

District Officers present: Gene A., DCM; Phil W. Treasurer; Laurie H., Secretary

The Meeting was called to order at approximately 6:30 pm with a moment of silence followed by The Serenity Prayer. The minutes of the July meeting were reviewed and approved as corrected. The corrections consisted of correcting spelling.

Treasurer's Report: After a brief question and answer period, a motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted. Bills were submitted for payment.

GSR Reports:

Dave GSR, **Milton-Freewater Primary Purposes Group**: last Wednesday birthdays included (2) people with 20 years, (1) with 15, (1) with 7; (1) with 4 months – a combined total of 64 years of sobriety!

Jim GSR, **Touch on Feelings** – group going well. Birthdays; (2) 11 months; (1) one year.

Sherry, Alt GSR, Sunday Big Book – meetings are well attended including the Monday Women's meeting. Bruce GSR, As Bill Sees It Group @ VA. Attendance up to 16-23 people. Birthdays: (2) 1 month; (1) 4 month. Michael GSR, Sunday Morning Eye Opener. Attendance runs 20 – 25 regulars. Birthdays: Michael with 6 months. Wally GSR, Tuesday Promises. The meeting is going well. Birthdays; Patrick, 6 months; Jerod, 8 months; Josh, 9 months.

Sally H., representing Language of the Heart Tues/Thurs Noon Meetings. The meeting is still very well attended and generous financially.

Carlos GSR, **Friends of Bill W** - 3/5 people attending. We find that most people get acquainted with AA at our meeting then go on to attend and join other groups.

Dawn GSR, Early Birds. We still have a nice core group of members. Birthdays' (1) 20 yr.

Earl GSR, Sunday Afternoon 12 x 12. Attendance varies from lowest of 4 to highest of 20.

Shernie GSR, **Monday/Wednesday VA**. People feel welcome and comfortable at the VA theatre which also solved the problem of getting patients out and about. Home group still 3 people and we're having difficulty getting chairpersons)

Mark GSR, **Thursday Night Open Meeting** – attendance 12/15+. The group is self supporting. Birthdays; Bill (13 years)

Laurie, representing **Water Tower group**. The group is well attended and financially secure but is having trouble getting chairpersons.

Committee Reports:

Activities – Sherry, chairperson: The corn roast was well attended (40). The gratitude banquet and the Standing Committee Quarterly (Sept 26th) are upcoming activities. **A motion was made, seconded and passed** to give the person preparing the lunch for the Standing Committee Quarterly \$50 front money to purchase food. Receipts for the purchases are to be turned in to the Treasurer after the event.

Answering Service – Dyan, Chairperson: Thirty six calls were received, 16 were questions about meetings, only 2 duplicate calls were received.

Corrections – Gene A reported: The reunion at the Penitentiary is coming up this month. The county jail meetings are going well. Craig needs help at the Juvenile detention center with meetings.

CPC/PI – Shernie: Although Shernie volunteered to chair this committee she stated that someone needed to show her the ropes so that she will know what she is expected to do.

Treatment – Larry, Chairperson: Due to the generous talk about "Higher Power" and "God" in AA meetings we are no longer able to go to the VA on Tuesday to share the message. The VA considers AA to be a religion. Members are still able to share their stories on Saturday.

Literature & Grapevine: Gene A has the literature at his home. An inventory of literature was distributed.

Pink Can – Sally H., Chairperson: Sally turned in \$119.93 and presented a bill for literature for the reunion at the Penitentiary for \$417.20.

Schedules – Larry, Chairperson: There were no corrections to the schedule.

DCM Report:

Gene distributed handouts with the Motions which will be voted upon at the next Area meeting. These **motions** were discussed by the GSR's to great length. The GSR's were asked to take the motions to their home groups for a group conscientious

Nominations were made for the following District offices: DCM (Dawn), Alternate DCM, (Mark) (Treasurer, (Gene A.); Alternate Treasurer, (open); Secretary, (Laurie H.), Alternate Secretary (open).

The 7th Tradition Basket was passed. The meeting adjourned with The Responsibility Statement followed by The Lord's Prayer.